

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the resolutions previous identified, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The resolutions are adopted. LR 294.

CLERK: Mr. President, on 294, it was a resolution offered by Senator Pappas. It is on page 2631. (Read introduction.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Pappas.

SENATOR PAPPAS: Mr. President, colleagues, these last three resolutions I felt deserve to be heard by themselves because basically we are talking about three commissions that have done an outstanding job in the past. Apparently at this time, with the funds cut, they are not going to be back. I think we need an opportunity for different people to commend the work that they have done in the past, and thank them for everything they have done, and give them special recognition instead of treating them like a package.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nichol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I think all of us are somewhat disappointed in certain sections of the budget. This is one where I am disappointed in the budget, but I really do think that we need to compliment these people, and especially Rudy Peralez who has done such a good job the past few years. I heartily want to extend my congratulations to them for the good job they have done since its beginning, and the improvement they made during the last few years.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. President. I would also like to commend Rudy Peralez. As Speaker Nichol said, Rudy is an old friend. Many of you know him. He is one of the most wonderful guys you'd ever know. He took that commission when it was floundering, it was in deep trouble, and a few years later he's turned it around completely. It is one of the finest operating agencies in the state. That says a lot of Rudy and that commission. I also want to commend their work.